

**ENERGY BILLS**

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on Energy concluded a hearing to examine H.R. 957, to authorize higher education curriculum development and graduate training in advanced energy and green building technologies, H.R. 2729, to authorize the designation of National Environmental Research Parks by the Secretary of Energy, H.R. 3165, to provide for a program of wind energy research, development, and demonstration, H.R. 3246, to provide for a program of research, development, demonstration and commercial application in vehicle technologies at the Department of Energy, H.R. 3585, to guide and provide for United States research, development, and demonstration of solar energy technologies, S. 737, to amend the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007 to authorize the Secretary of Energy to conduct research, development, and demonstration to make biofuels more compatible with small nonroad engines, S. 1617, to require the Secretary of Commerce to establish a program for the award of grants to States to establish revolving loan funds for small and medium-sized manufacturers to improve energy efficiency and produce clean energy technology, S. 2744, to amend the Energy Policy Act of 2005 to expand the authority for awarding technology prizes by the Secretary of Energy to include a financial award for separation of carbon dioxide from dilute sources, and S. 2773, to require the Secretary of Energy to carry out a program to support the research, demonstration, and development of commercial applications for offshore wind energy, after receiving testimony from Kristina M. Johnson, Under Secretary of Energy.

**FEDERAL DRINKING WATER PROGRAMS**

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine Federal drinking water programs, after receiving testimony from Peter S. Silva, Assistant Administrator for Water, and Cynthia J. Giles, Assistant Administrator for Enforcement and Compliance Assurance, both of the Environmental Protection Agency; Matthew C. Larsen, Associate Director for Water, U.S. Geological Survey, Department of the Interior; Jerome A. Paulson, American Academy of Pediatrics, Washington, D.C.; Michael G. Baker, Association of State Drinking Water Administrators, Arlington, Virginia; Gene Whatley, Oklahoma Rural Water Association, Inc., Oklahoma City; and Jeffrey K. Grif-

fiths, Tufts University School of Medicine, Boston, Massachusetts.

**BUSINESS MEETING**

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Rajiv J. Shah, of Washington, to be Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development, and Mary Burce Warlick, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Serbia, James B. Warlick, Jr., of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Bulgaria, Eleni Tsakopoulos Kounalakis, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Hungary, Leslie V. Rowe, of Washington, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Mozambique, Alberto M. Fernandez, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Equatorial Guinea, Mary Jo Wills, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Mauritius, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Republic of Seychelles, Jide J. Zeitlin, of New York, to be Alternate Representative of the United States of America to the Sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations during his tenure of service as Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations for U.N. Management and Reform, and to be Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations for U.N. Management and Reform, with the rank of Ambassador, Anne Slaughter Andrew, of Indiana, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Costa Rica, David Daniel Nelson, of Minnesota, to be Ambassador to the Oriental Republic of Uruguay, Betty E. King, of New York, to be Representative of the United States of America to the Office of the United Nations and Other International Organizations in Geneva, with the rank of Ambassador, Laura E. Kennedy, of New York, for the rank of Ambassador during her tenure of service as U.S. Representative to the Conference on Disarmament, Eileen Chamberlain Donahoe, for the rank of Ambassador during her tenure of service as the United States Representative to the UN Human Rights Council, all of the Department of State, and routine lists in the Foreign Service.

**INTELLIGENCE**

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee recessed subject to the call.